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International Fugitive Brought Back to Mono County after 11 Years on the Run

On January 6, 2014, an Investigator from the Mono County District Attorney's Office, assisted by the Sacramento branch of the FBI traveled to Mexico City to transport a fugitive back to Mono County to face charges for repeatedly and forcibly raping a child while she was between the ages of five and twelve.

Jacinto Flores Xochimitl, a citizen of Mexico, was sought for questioning in 2004 by the Mammoth Lakes Police Department after being accused of forcible rape of a child. On the same day, Mr. Xochimitl fled Mammoth Lakes and boarded a flight to Mexico where he has been in hiding ever since.

The Mono County District Attorney's Office has been working with the FBI, the US Attorney General's Office, Department of Homeland Security and Interpol over the last decade to locate and extradite Mr. Xochimitl. During the later part of 2011 and early 2012, the FBI and FBI Legal Attache office in Mexico confirmed the location of the suspect and in July of 2012, the Mono County District Attorney formally requested the extradition of Mr. Xochimitl from Mexico.

Mr. Xochimitl was arrested in Puebla, Mexico by Interpol on January 14, 2014. After unsuccessfully appealing extradition to the United States, the Government of Mexico affirmed the extradition on September 19, 2014. Mr. Xochimitl was transported to the United States on January 6, 2015 and booked into the Mono County Jail in the early hours of January 7.

Mr. Xochimitl is scheduled to be arraigned in Bridgeport on January 13, 2015. He faces 30 years to life in state prison if convicted.